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TO MRS. JACKSON.

Mobile, October 11, 1814.

My Love: Colo. Butler reached me late last night and I have barely time to acknowledge the recpt of your letter by him, I shall write you fully by next mail

I hope ere long to have it in my power to fix on some point where you can meet me. I hope the force that is comeing on will put it in my power to drive the enemy from this quarter, as soon as that is done I shall move my head quarters to orleans and send across for you and our little son. be comforted, be calm be resigned to the will of heaven. I trust he has in store for us, a few years of social retirement and earthly comfort and bliss. I am recovered. I am clear of fever, and I hope to regain my strength shortly. With my prays for your health, and my family, I bid you an affectionate adieu.

P. S. the Patriotism of the family does them great honor, and fills me with affection for them. Genl Smith for his example deserves well. I wish my little Andrew was able to ride.